

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 39

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A RESOLUTION recognizing Steve A. Garner upon his receipt of the twenty-seventh annual Palmer Veterans Appreciation Award.

WHEREAS, our nation was conceived by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their personal safety and concerns to ensure our individual and collective freedom, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to be the home of so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Tennesseans continue this time-honored tradition of volunteerism through service in the United States military; and

WHEREAS, Steve A. Garner, a United States Marine Corps veteran, was recently recognized as the recipient of the twenty-seventh annual Palmer Veterans Appreciation Award; and

WHEREAS, sponsored by the Citizens Tri-County Bank, the Palmer Veterans Appreciation Award is presented each year by town historian David Patton; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Garner started basic training at Parris Island, South Carolina, in May of 1963 and followed with advanced infantry training at Camp Lejuene, North Carolina, and Armorer School in Quantico, Virginia, where he was trained in weapons repair; and

WHEREAS, he was stationed on Okinawa with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Marine Division at Camp Sukiran from March of 1964 to September of 1965, when he returned stateside to his final duty station, Quonset Point, Rhode Island Naval Air Station, where he served until his discharge in May of 1967; and

WHEREAS, Steve Garner is a dedicated member of society who inspires those around him and commits himself to the improvement of his community, state, and nation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Garner performed his duties with honor, distinction, and a profound regard for the importance of his role as a Marine, and his service can only be categorized as outstanding; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we congratulate Steve A. Garner upon his receipt of the Palmer Veterans Appreciation Award, extend our deepest gratitude for his service to this country, and offer our best wishes for his every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.